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FOLLOWING TELEGRAM FROM TEHRAN DATED JUNE 1, 1975 SENT
SECSTATE WASHDC INFO EC BRUSSELS, CAIRO, JIDDA IS REPEATED
TO YOU: QUOTE

C O N F I D E N T I A L TEHRAN 5051

PASS TO UNDERSECRETARY ROBINSON

E.O. 11652: GDS
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SUBJ: EMERGENCY ECONOMIC ASSISTANCE TO EGYPT

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1. BELIEVE THAT CONVEYANCE OF INFO IN PARA 3 REFTTEL
TO ANSARY WILL RESULT IN CLOSE QUESTIONING ABOUT
ACTUAL GOE IMPORT NEEDS IN REMAINDER OF CY 1975
AND HOW THESE NEEDS ARE TO BE MET. FOR EXAMPLE, OUT
OF GLOBAL FIGURE OF APPROXIMATELY \$800 MILLION, HOW
MUCH IN DOLLAR TERMS WILL BE AGRICULTURAL COMMODITIES
SUPPLIED BY US THROUGH PL-480? FURTHER, WHAT IS
BREAKDOWN BY MAJOR CATEGORY OF OTHER IMPORT NEEDS
AND POSSIBLE SOURCES OF SUPPLY? IF GOI WILLING
TO MAKE ITS ASSISTANCE UNCONDITIONAL AS TO RANGE
OF GOODS AND/OR SUPPLY OF SOURCES, CAN IT REALISTICALLY
EXPECT TO BE SOURCE OF SUPPLY FOR ANY SIGNIFICANT
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AMOUNT OF GOE IMPORT REQUIREMENTS. IF IT APPLIES SAME RESTRIC-
TIONS AS US TO ITS ASSISTANCE, I.E. QTE PROCUREMENT
OF GOODS FROM IRAN AND NON-COMMUNIST DEVELOPING
COUNTRIES. UNQTE HOW EFFECTIVE WILL ASSISTANCE BE IN

MEETING GOE IMMEDIATE REQUIREMENTS? FINALLY, WHAT
IS NATURE OF GOE OVERDUE FOREIGN COMMERICAL BANK CREDITS,
AMOUNTS INVOLVED, AND THE SOURCE AND PURPOSES FOR WHICH
SUCH CREDITS USED?

2. WE WILL OF COURSE URGE THAT GOI BE AS LIBERAL AS
POSSIBLE IN PROVIDING EMERGENCY ASSISTANCE BU T FEEL
IT LIKELY THAT IT WILL BE INCLINED TO TAKE MUCH THE
SAME POSITION USG IS TAKING IN THIS MATTER AND APPLY
THE SAME LIMITATIONS. IT WILL BE AS INTERESTED AS ANY-
ONE IN MAXIMIZING ECONOMIC RETURNS FROM THIS ESSENTIALLY
POLITICAL GESTURE.

3. PLEASE ADVISE.
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